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REMARKS

This paper is a preliminary amendment in the above-identified application, filed herewith as a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/772,304, filed January 29, 2001.

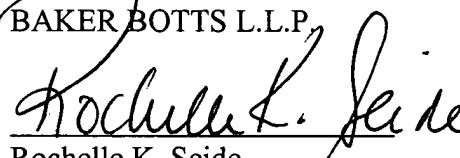
By this amendment, original claims 1-5, which were prosecution to issuance in the above-identified parent application, have been canceled. Claims 8 and 12 have also been canceled for being duplicative and containing subject matter from independent claim 6. Claims 14 and 15 have been added to further claim features of the invention described in the specification. Upon entry of this preliminary amendment, claims 6, 7, 9-11, and 13-15 are pending. Claims 6, 7, 9-11, and 13 have been amended to place the claims in to proper U.S. format. Support for the amended and new claims can be found throughout the specification and claims

Applicants request timely and favorable decision on these claims.

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